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Madrona Lace Scarf

This rectangular scarf was designed to celebrate both Madrona Fiber Arts 15th Anniversary Retreat in 2014 and the tree for which the conference is named.

Like the Madronas native to the Pacific Northwest, this scarf has leaves and berries. It is knit from end to end, and the asymmetrical patterning includes a 10-stitch leaf repeat to customize the width. An option is given to add beads between the motifs and at the symmetrically scalloped ends.

This design looks great in a variety of handspun and commercial lace, fingering, and Shetland/sport/DK weight yarns.

Skill Level
Intermediate

Size
Can be customized

Abbreviations
k	knit
k2tog	knit 2 stitches together
k3tog	knit 3 stitches together
p	purl
RS	right side of scarf
sk2p	slip 1 stitch knitwise, k2tog, and pass slipped stitch over k2tog
ssk	slip 1 stitch knitwise, slip next stitch knitwise, replace on holding needle, and k2tog through back loops
st(s)	stitch(es)
WS	wrong side of scarf
yo	yarn over
*	repeat instructions between asterisks
()	repeat instructions inside parentheses
[]	repeat instructions inside brackets

Yarn
Approximately 300–500 yds (275–460 m) lace, fingering, or Shetland/sport/DK weight yarns.

Needles & Gauge
Individual knitting style and yarn characteristics affect the lace, so choose a needle size that gives preferred results by knitting a swatch in stockinette stitch.

Sample Scarf
65 g (300 yds/275 m) Malabrigo Sock Color 855 Aguas fingering weight (17 wpi) yarn on US size 3 (3.25 mm) needles with 208 size 6 beads and size 12 (1 mm) crochet hook. Stockinette stitch gauge: 24 sts = 4" (10 cm). Scarf measures 8 x 54" (20.5 x 137 cm).

Supplies
2 stitch markers; tapestry needle to weave in ends; and rustproof pins for blocking

Optional Supplies
Beads and crochet hook that will fit through bead hole; and blocking wires

Instructions

Scarf Notes

1. Scarf starts on a multiple of 10 plus 25 stitches. It can be made wider or narrower by adding or subtracting 10-stitch leaf repeats.
2. It is helpful to place markers after the beginning and before the ending 2-stitch borders.
3. The first stitch of every row is slipped purlwise with yarn at front to create a chained edge.
4. An option is included to bead the ends and stitches between the motifs. To bead a stitch, k1, pull that stitch through the bead hole with a crochet hook, and replace on needle. If no beads are desired, work the bead stitch as a knit stitch.
5. The ending border can be started after any 20-row Madrona Lace Repeat.
6. Patterning is different at each end to create symmetrical scallops.
7. Lace can be worked from written instructions or charts.
8. Wraps-per-inch (wpi) is a way to measure yarn size. Without stretching, wrap yarn around a ruler for 1" (2.5 cm), and count the strands.

INSTRUCTIONS

Cast-on (See Note 1 above.)
Loosely cast on 45 sts.

Start Beginning Border.

Beginning Border (Chart 1)

See Note 4 above about beading a stitch.

Row 1 (RS): sl1, k1, place marker, k4, bead 3 sts, [k7, bead 3 sts] to last 6 sts, k4, place marker, k2.
Row 2 (WS): sl1, knit across.

Start Madrona Lace Beginning.

Madrona Lace Beginning (Chart 2)

Instructions inside brackets are repeated across to specified remaining number of stitches.

Row 1 (RS): sl1, k2, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, [yo, k1, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2] to last 3 sts, yo, k3.
All Even Rows (WS): sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
Row 3: sl1, [k3, yo, k1, ssk, p1, k2tog, k1, yo] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 5: sl1, k4, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k2, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k1, [k4, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k1] to last 4 sts, k4.

Row 7: sl1, k5, yo, sk2p, yo, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k2, yo, sk2p, yo, k2, [k5, yo, sk2p, yo, k2] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 9: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k3tog, (yo, k2tog) 3 times, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k2, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k2] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.
Row 11: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, ssk, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, k2, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.
Row 13: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k1, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, k1, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k1, yo, k3, yo, k1] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.

Start Madrona Lace Repeat.

Madrona Lace Repeat (Chart 3)

Row 1 (RS): sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k2, yo, [ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.
All Even Rows (WS): sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
Row 3: sl1, k1, k2tog, yo, k7, yo, sk2p, yo, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k2, [yo, sk2p, yo, k7] to last 4 sts, yo, ssk, k2.
Row 5: sl1, k1, bead 1 st, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k3tog, (yo, k2tog) 3 times, [yo, bead 1 st, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2] to last 3 sts, yo, bead 1 st, k2.
Row 7: sl1, k2, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, ssk, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, k2tog, [yo, k1, yo, k2, ssk, p1, k2tog, k2] to last 3 sts, yo, k3.
Row 9: sl1, k3, yo, k1, ssk, p1, k2tog, k1, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, [k3, yo, k1, ssk, p1, k2tog, k1, yo] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 11: sl1, k4, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k2, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, [k4, yo, ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k1] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 13: sl1, k5, yo, sk2p, yo, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k2, yo, sk2p, yo, k2, [k5, yo, sk2p, yo, k2] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 15: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k3tog, (yo, k2tog) 3 times, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k2, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, bead 1 st, yo, k2] to last 5 sts, ssk p1, k2.
Row 17: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, ssk, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, k2, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.
Row 19: sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, k1, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, k1, [ssk, p1, k2tog, k1, yo, k3, yo, k1] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.

Work Rows 1–20 to desired length. (For sample, repeat was worked 20 times.)

Start Madrona Lace Ending Border.

Madrona Lace Ending Border (Chart 4)
Row 1 (RS): sl1, k1, p1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, [ssk, p1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo] to last 5 sts, ssk, p1, k2.
Row 2 (WS): sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
Row 3: sl1, k1, k2tog, yo, k7, [yo, sk2p, yo, k7] to last 4 sts, yo, ssk, k2.
Row 4: sl1, knit across.
Row 5: sl1, [k5, bead 3 sts, k2] to last 4 sts, k4.
Row 6 (WS): work Elastic Cast-off.

Elastic Cast-off
k1, *k1, replace 2 sts on holding needle, and k2tog through back loops, repeating from * across.

Finishing
Weave in yarn ends, and trim after blocking.

Blocking
Soak scarf in water—adding soap appropriate for fiber if desired. Rinse, and wrap in towel to blot. Lay flat, and smooth into shape. If using blocking wires, run through 1 strand of slipped stitches along sides, entering each from the same direction, and pin. Pull out and pin edge scallops below 3 beaded stitches at the beginning and above 3 beaded stitches at the end. Leave in place until thoroughly dry. Trim yarn ends.
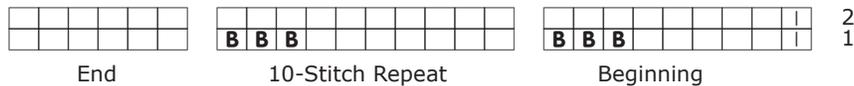
Charts

Notes
1. See written instructions for cast-on and cast-off information.
2. Read charts from bottom to top and from right to left.
3. On Charts 1 and 4, all rows are charted. On Charts 2 and 3, only odd rows are charted; all even rows: sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.

Symbols and Abbreviations Key

Symbol	Abbr.	Description
B	bead	knit 1 stitch and place bead over it with a crochet hook
☐	k	knit
/	k2tog	knit 2 stitches together
⟋	k3tog	knit 3 stitches together
∧	sk2p	slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit next 2 stitches together, and pass slipped stitch over k2tog
—	p	purl
\	ssk	slip 1 stitch knitwise, slip next stitch knitwise, replace on holding needle, and k2tog through back loops
○	yo	yarn over

Chart 1—Bginning Border
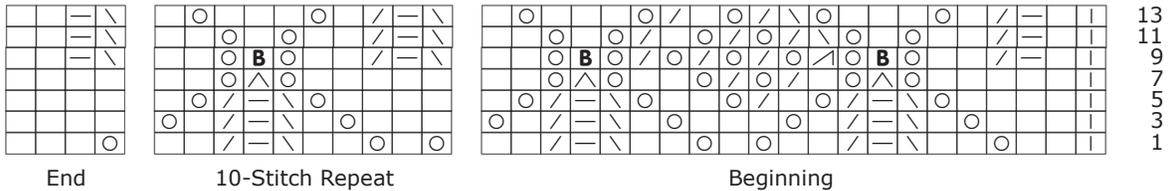All rows are charted.

End   10-Stitch Repeat   Beginning   2
1

Chart 2—Madrona Lace Beginning
Only odd rows are charted. All Even Rows: sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
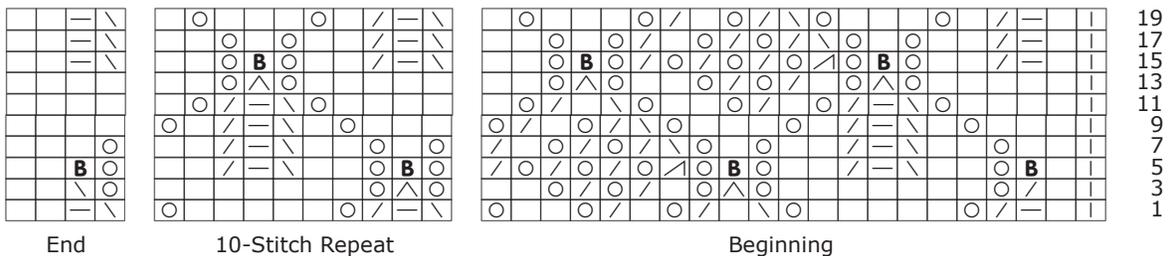
End   10-Stitch Repeat   Beginning

13
11
9
7
5
3
1

Chart 3—Madrona Lace Repeat
Repeat Rows 1–20 for pattern.
Only odd rows are charted. All Even Rows: sl1, k1, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
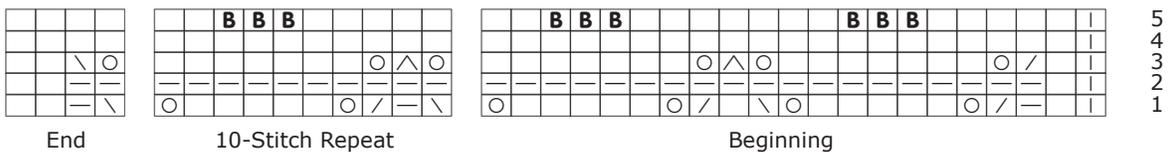
End   10-Stitch Repeat   Beginning

19
17
15
13
11
9
7
5
3
1

Chart 4—Madrona Lace Ending Border
All rows are charted. Work Elastic Cast-off on Row 6.

End   10-Stitch Repeat   Beginning

5
4
3
2
1

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